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SUBJECT: HEALTHWORKERS AND MINEWORKERS CONTINUE STRIKE

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1. THE LOCAL PRESS AUGUST 8 REPORTED THAT A SOLUTION TO THE STRIKE OF MINISTRY OF HEALTH WORKERS IS IMMINENT. A MINISTRY OF HEALTH SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT THE MINISTRY HAD ACCEPTED DEMANDS FOR A GENERAL UPGRADING OF ALL POSITIONS BUT THAT THE SEVEN RAISES WILL COME IN STAGES (TWO IN AUGUST, ONE IN OCTOBER AND FOUR IN DECEMBER, RATHER THAN ALL AT ONCE).

2. IN THE MINES AND METALWORKS THE "GENERAL STRIKE" HAS HAD SOME SUCCESS BUT THE GOVERNMENT OWNED CENTROMIN COMPLEX REPORTED ONLY THREE OF ITS 17 UNITS AFFECTED; I.E., METALWORKERS AT LA ARROYO, LA MINA CERRO (AT CERRO DE PASCO), AND THE WORKERS OF THE MAINTENANCE SERVICE AT HUAYAMANCA. WORKERS AND EMPLOYEES ARE ON STRIKE AT HIERRO PERU. THE STRIKE BY WORKERS CONTINUES AT SOUTHERN PERU COPPER CORPORATION (SPCC) TOQUEPALA MINE AND ILO SMELTER. SPCC EMPLOYEES REMAIN ON THE JOB AND SOME MINERS WERE REPORTED RETURNING TO THEIR JOBS AUGUST 8 (ABOUT 12 AND 18 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY AT TOQUEPALA AND ILO). SPCC'S UNORGANIZED  
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CUAJONE MINE CONTINUES NORMAL OPERATIONS.

3. THE GOP HAS NOT RPT NOT DECLARED THE MINE AND METALWORKERS STRIKE ILLEGAL OR APPLIED THE EMERGENCY MINE LABOR LEGISLATION (ALLOWING THE FIRING OF WORKERS WHO FAIL TO APPEAR AFTER A 24 HOUR NOTICE). GIVEN THE RELATIVE LACK OF SUPPORT FOR THE STRIKE IN CENTROMIN AND THE REAPPEARANCE OF SOME WORKERS AT SPCC'S

ILO AND TOQUEPALA COMPLEXES, THE GOP MAY BE HOPING THAT THE STRIKE  
WILL PLAY OUT NATURALLY WITHOUT GOP'S ORDERING ADDITIONAL  
FIRINGS.

4. COMMENT: LABOR OBSERVERS ARE SKEPTICAL THAT SOLUTION TO  
HEALTH WORKERS STRIKE IS AN IMMINENT AS GOP CLAIMS.

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